Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer program product, comprising:

a computer-readable medium containing instructions for controlling a computer system to perform a method of delaying <u>issuing a command for beginning an initiation</u> of an operation, the method comprising:

requesting that a user input a delay criteria before the initiation of the operation, wherein the delay criteria include both a time and a particular situation; and

delaying performance by the computer system of the operation until the delay criteria has been met;

wherein the operation comprises at least one operation chosen from the group consisting of a print command, an e-mailing distribution, a software installation, a file transfer protocol upload, a web site posting and an internet phone call.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 1, wherein the delay criteria is at least one chosen from the group consisting of a time interval, a set time, and the occurrence of [[a]] the particular eondition situation.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The computer-program product of claim 2, wherein the particular eondition comprises detection of an idle printer situation is selected from the group of a period of time a printer has remained idle and a lights off situation in an office.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The program product medium of claim 2, wherein the particular eondition situation comprises detection of bandwidth availability on a network connection.
- 5. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the operation comprises printing a document.

- 6. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the delaying step comprises storing the document in a job store.
- 7. (Original) The computer program product of claim 6, wherein the job store comprises at least one item chosen from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide area network, and an internet storage location.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling a computer system to <u>delay</u> issuing a command for beginning an perform a delayed operation comprising:

requesting that a user input a set time <u>delay criteria</u> for the operation before an initiation of an operation; and

delaying performance of the operation until the delay criteria has been met, wherein the delay criteria include both a time and a particular situation;

wherein the operation comprises at least one operation chosen from the group consisting of a print command, an e-mailing distribution, a software installation, a file transfer protocol upload, a web site posting and an internet phone call.

- 9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein delay criteria is at least one chosen from the group consisting of a time interval, a set time and the occurrence of [[a]] the particular eondition situation.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the particular econdition ecomprises detection of an idle printer situation is selected from the group of a period of time a printer has remained idle and a lights off situation in an office.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the particular eondition situation comprises detection of bandwidth availability on a network connection.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the operation comprises printing a document.

- 13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the delaying step comprises storing the document in a job store.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the job store comprises at least one item from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide are network and an internet storage location.
- 15. (Currently Amended) A computing system comprising: a processor;

a user-programmable delaying device to receive a delay criteria before <u>issuing a command for beginning an initiation of</u> an operation, <u>wherein the delay criteria include both a time and a particular situation</u>;

the delaying device operably connected to the processor; a storage device operably connected to the processor; and a printer operably connected to the storage device.

- 16. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed by a user-programmable time interval.
- 17. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed until a user-programmable time.
- 18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed until the occurrence of a user-programmable eondition situation.
- 19. (Original) The system of claim 15, further comprising a job store.
- 20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the job store comprises at least one item chosen from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide area network and an internet storage location.